

Examiner-Initiated Interview Summary	Application No. 08/937,439	Applicant(s) FUKUSHIMA ET AL.	
	Examiner PETER-ANTHONY PAPPAS	Art Unit 2628	

All Participants:

(1) Peter-Anthony Pappas.

(2) Paul J. Skwierawski.

Date of Interview: 17 November 2008

Status of Application: Pending

(3) _____.

(4) _____.

Time: _____

Type of Interview:

☒ Telephonic

☐ Video Conference

☐ Personal (Copy given to: ☐ Applicant ☐ Applicant's representative)

Exhibit Shown or Demonstrated: ☐ Yes ☒ No

If Yes, provide a brief description: _____.

Part I.

Rejection(s) discussed:

Claims discussed:

Prior art documents discussed:

Part II.

SUBSTANCE OF INTERVIEW DESCRIBING THE GENERAL NATURE OF WHAT WAS DISCUSSED:

See Continuation Sheet

Part III.

☐ It is not necessary for applicant to provide a separate record of the substance of the interview, since the interview directly resulted in the allowance of the application. The examiner will provide a written summary of the substance of the interview in the Notice of Allowability.

☒ It is not necessary for applicant to provide a separate record of the substance of the interview, since the interview did not result in resolution of all issues. A brief summary by the examiner appears in Part II above.

/Peter-Anthony Pappas/
Primary Examiner, Art Unit 2628

(Applicant/Applicant's Representative Signature – if appropriate)

Continuation of Substance of Interview including description of the general nature of what was discussed:

The Examiner contacted the Applicant to discuss 35 U.S.C 112 second paragraph issues pertaining to "means for" language disclosed in the claims of the instant application. The Examiner referenced the 9/2/08 memorandum entitled "Rejections under 35 U.S.C. 112, second paragraph, when examining means (or step) plus function claim limitations under 35 U.S.C. 112, sixth paragraph" and faxed a copy of the memorandum to the Applicant. The Applicant indicated that they would not be available later in the day nor would they be free during the next few days to discuss said issues. The Examiner indicated that an Office Action would be mailed.